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SUBJECT: BG IOANNIDES ON LEAVE

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1. ARMED FORCES HEADQUARTERS ANNOUNCED AUGUST 2 THAT BG DIMITRIOS IOANNIDES HAS BEEN PLACED ON SIX-MONTH LEAVE OF ABSENCE AT HIS OWN REQUEST. ALL NEWSPAPERS CARRY ANNOUNCEMENT WITH SEMI-OFFICIAL ATHENS NEWS AGENCY REPORTING THAT IOANNIDES, HEAD OF MILITARY POLICE AND STRONGMAN OF NOVEMBER 25 REGIME, WAS PLACED ON "SIX-MONTH DISPOSABILITY..."

2. SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT WAS MINISTER OF DEFENSE AVEROFF'S PATRIOTIC APPEAL IN ARMED FORCES ORDER OF DAY FOR NATION'S MILITARY TO DO THEIR DUTY TOWARD COUNTRY. AVEROFF POINTED OUT COUNTRY WAS GOING THROUGH DIFFICULT PERIOD BUT GREEKS LOOK WITH CONFIDENCE ON ARMED FORCES AND ARMS ENTRUSTED TO THEM. DEFENSE MINISTER ADDED THAT WITH PUBLICATION OF FIRST
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CONSTITUENT ACT HE EFFECTIVELY ASSUMED DUTIES AS MINISTER

OF NATIONAL DEFENSE. (AVEROFF'S TASK OF ASSUMING CIVILIAN
AUTHORITY OVER ARMED FORCES IS DELICATE, BUT BY REMOVING
IOANNIDES, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY, AND TRANSFERRING HIS CLOSE
ASSOCIATES, AVEROFF APPEARS TO BE STEADILY AND SUCCESSFULLY
CONSOLIDATING HIS AUTHORITY OVER MINISTRY.)

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